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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Salabat or Instant Ginger Drink
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Standards of Quality for the Processing Packaging and Labelling of Salabat or Instant Ginger Drink (draft). Language(s): English . Number of pages: 16 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/PHL/20 1259 00 e.pdf
- 6. Description of content: The draft standard targets to ensure high level of food safety and to promote fair trade. The Order is promulagated to serve as a guide for manufacturers, traders, importers/distributors of Salabat or Instant Ginger Drink. The following provisions of the draft Administrative Order are relevant to food safety: VI.2. Food Additives; VI.3. Quality and Safety Criteria; VI.3.2 Microbiological Properties; VI.4. Defects; VI.6 Contaminants; VI.7. Hygiene; VI.9.2. Recommended Methods of Analysis.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex General Standard for Food Additives (GSFA) Codex Stan 192-1995; 2013 Revision; Codex Stan 193-1995;
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

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- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- **10.** Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined.
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 19 April 2020

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